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For the Christian Secretary.

ERRORS CORRECTED, AND TRUTH DEFEND-ED: in reply to "V." NO. VI.

In this number I shall confine myself principally to the priesthood of Christ .- You claim that Jesus Christ was made a priest according to the law of Moses, and that John performed the "washings," &c I was shocked at your arrangement of scripture, and at the manner in which here present it. You say the age (about 30 years,) at which Christ was baptized, speaks volumes. "We may find an ailusion to the age," say you, " in Numb. iv. thou shalt bring to the door of the taber with water.' And Num. viii. 7, 'And sir, reminds me of an attempt to prove that Peter denied his Master, and then went should do the same, by the following ar-

He who will take the pains to read the were to touch, or even look on any of the holy things, while Aaron and his sons covered them, on pain of death. And what nor can it be proved from the word of God, that a Jewish priest was ever conse many different ceremonies at their consecration, that seven days were requisite to the Aaronites were not to go out the door does not look much like consecrating Jewish priests at the age of thirty, and then ces as the servants of Auron and his sons, his sinking cause.

and the searcher of hearts.

sprinkle water of purifying upon them." If the nature and design of the baptism of longer enveloped in mystery. Christ are here explained, we will refer

you treat the word of God; but I will for use, and how applied? The scrip- ariseth another Priest." Heb. vii. 15. with the scripture already cited, which their hearts purified by faith, and having 3, From thirty years old and upward, be put thereto in a vessel; and a clean per- Christ made a priest after the manner in strange to the consistent Christian, that 2d Epistie, 2d chapter, speak of some even until fifty years old,' &c. The na- son shall take hysop, and dip it in the wa- which Aaron and his sons were? "The the disciples of Christ may be baptized characters, who have "escaped the polture and design of the rite is explained by ter (of purifying,) and sprinkle it upon law maketh men priests which have in- and crucified after His example, and still I tion of the world through the knowledge Exodus xxix. 4, 'And Aaron and his sons the tent, and upon all the vessels, and up- firmity; but the word of the oath, which not be so highly honoured as was He .- of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and nacle of the congregation, and wash them him that touched a bone, or one slain, or consecrated forever more." Heb. vii. 28. audible voice of the Almighty, saying, overcome—and does he not say of such, thus shalt thou do unto them to cleanse son shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the nal commandment, but after the power of well pleased." Nor to behold, for him, them; sprinkle water of purifying [ashes third day, and on the seventh day, and on an endless life." Heb. vii. 16. "For the order of nature changed. of a burnt heiter] upon them." This, the seventh day he shall purify himself, those priests were made without an oath, out and hung himself; and that Christians xix. 17, 18, 19. Thus we have the es repent. Thou art a priest forever, after PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS. rangement of scripture: "And again he (Peter) denied with an oath, saying, I know not the man. Matt. xxvi. 72: and the water with which they might be applied, her of days &c. &c. which must some of Melchisedec. Heb. vii. 21.

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I give unto them eter, and they follow me: And I know them, and the departed and went and hanged himself. ber of days, &c. &c. which must compose everlasting life? "If therefore perfection Matt. xxvii. 5: Go and do thou likewise. the nature of the "rite." Secondly, were by the Levitical priesthood, (for un-Luke x. 37." If your arrangement proves what was its design? The scriptures der it the people received the law.) what the saints, is a most precious doctrine to them-who have heard the gospel preachany thing about consecrating priests at the age of thirty, here the above is proved upon the same principles, and in the same principles, and in the same of the same principles, and in the same of the same principles, and in the same of the same scriptures, will find that those to whom have no small degree of reason for con- dom of the Jews from temporal calamities, eth, and they who are sanctified, are all evil practices; but have again relapsed you refer for the age, were not Aaronites, cluding how John baptized Christ !!!" and the sacrifice of the High Priest, of the of one, for which cause he is not ashamed into a state of carnal security, and sinful but Kerathites, and were comm nded to But must I believe you? Must I be un- new dispensation, save His Kingdom from to call them brethren." Heb. ii. 11. indulgence. Such characters should be leave their work at fifty. He will also der the painful necessity of thus inferring eternal destruction? For if the blood of "Ye are dead, and your life is hid with alarmed at the awful results of apostacy find that Korah was of this tribe. of whom that my Lord and Saviour, who "knew bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an Christ in God. When Christ, who is the like this. Evidence of God's truth, reit is said the earth swallowed him up no sin," " who was holy, harmless, unde- heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth believer's life, shall appear, then shall ye jected, will add to the weight of their conalive, because he assumed the priest's filed, separate from sinners, and higher to the purifying of the flesh; how much also appear with him in glory." Col. iii. demnation. office-and also that no one of this tribe than the heavens," was nevertheless put more shall the blood of Christ, who 3, 4. Wherein God, willing more abunrified for sin during seven days, according through the eternal spirit offered himself dautly to show unto the heirs of promise their natures changed, is evident from the to the law of Moses? And that the river without spot to God, purge your conscient the immutability of his counsel, confirmed succeeding verse. They never loved hodo you here claim? Ans. That the Ko- John baptized Christ, was nothing more God. Heb. ix. 13, 14. "For Moses de things in which it was impossible for God Apostle, "It is happened unto them acrathites had a right to the priest's fice, and than an earthen vessel, holding but "two scribeth the righteousness of the law, that to lie, we might have strong consolation, cording to the true proverb dog is were admitted at 30 years of age. For or three firkins," placed at the door of the the man who doeth those things shall live who have fled for refuge to lay hold on turned to his own vomit again, and the sow what did the earth open her mouth and Jewish tabernacles, and containing noth- (a temporal life,) by them " Rom. x. 5. the hope set before us: which hope we that was washed, to her wallowing in the swallow up Korah alive ? Ans. Because ing but ashes and water !!! It is a hard "If there had been a law given, which have as an anchor to the soul, both sure mire." Their natures had never been he claimed that the Korathites had a right saying, but then you are not alone in the could have given life, (eternal life) then and steadfast, and which entereth into changed. Christians are never represto the priest's office. (Those who doubt sentiment. One of your brethren, the verily righteousness should have been by that within the vail-whither the foreit, will please to read the 4th and 16th Rev. Mr. Daggett, in his Sermon upon the the law." Gal iii. 21; "For if righteous-runner is for us entered, even Jesus. They are called sheep and lambs; chapters of Numbers, in connection with work of John the Baptist, published a few ness come by the law, then Christ is dead Heb. 6th chap. These are but a few of and like the foolish sheep, they sometimes your 6th No.) Your second quotation years since, expressly declares that his in vain." Gal. it. 21. "And every priest the multitude of passages, which might be stray from the fold, and get into the wilrefers to Aaron and his sons. Aaron was haptism was the "purification for sin standeth daily ministering, and offering named in the sacred scriptures, which derness, far from home, and are terribly consecrated at the age of eighty three, and prescribed by the law of Moses!" But often times the same sacrifices, which can place this doctrine beyond doubt. But annoyed by the thorns and briars, and wild officiated till the day of his death; that is, still I have now before me "a more sure never take away sins. But this man, who have a right to take the consolation beasts of the desart -- but their nature is till he was one hundred and twenty-three word" of "testimony;" to which by (Christ) after he had offered one sacrifice derived from this blessed doctrine. Has never thereby changed to that of the ucyears of age : and we have no account of the help of God, (notwithstanding the for sins, forever sat down on the right the careless and impenitent sinner a scrip clean beasts above named. They still the age of his sons, when consecrated, broad assertions of men.) I am still resol- hand of God." Heb. x. 11, 12. ved "to take heed." I was not a little I might continue to exhibit passages of ground of his connection with Christ? voice; and when he with his chastizing amazed on hearing a Universalist Minis- scripture, which tend to shew that the Every Christian will answer, No. Has rud goes after them, to return them from crated at or about 30 years of age. Cer ter, a few years since, declare in the Jewish Kingdom was only a temporal the man who vainly imagines that he was their wanderings, and to bring them back tainly the law did not enjoin any thing of presence of a numerous assembly, that Kingdom, serving only as a type of a spirit converted some weeks, months, or years to his fold-conscious of their ingratitude, the kind. Beside they were to have so no other devil tempted our Saviour but and that the blessings and ago, but is now living in the neglect of and sensible of his loving kindness, they the devil within him!" which he after- curses which belonged to them in distinc- known duty, or in the commission of se. say, "It is the Lord, let him do what perform it; and during the whole time, But your representation, that Jesus Christ to this life-and that as respects spiritual consolation afforded by this doctrine? sively to his chastening rod, knowing that could not enter upon his holy office, as things, and eternal consequences, they No. of the tabernacle. Lev. viii. 33. This "Priest over the house of God," until stood on a common level with the whole leaving their work at fifty; nor does it of that horrid expression. They are both with the true Israel, through the media- appeared to run well for a season, but has pare. Their gracious Shepherd meets much resemble the short ceremony of bordering too near upon blasphemy, to be tion, not of Moses, but of Christ. Heb. now sunk down into a cold and heartless them in mercy, love and tenderness; and our Saviour being immersed by John the contemplated except with the utmost hor- viii. 6, 7, 8. Baptist, in the river Jordan. Your third ror. They both show the effect of er. I will now just notice the following from a right to console himself with this doc- him evermore to guide them by his quotation referred to a class of the Le- ror, and to what lengths frail man will go, your 6th No. "Coming up from the wa- trine? No.

at the age of twenty-five, and leave at fifty. You say, " It behaved Christ, the great a visible form like a dove. A voice from The Saviour commences with saying, My "Whom have I in heaven but thee, and (Read 8th chapter of Numbers.) Thus antitype, to fulfil all rightcourness, by en- heaven succeeded, "This is my beloved sheep hear my voice. The character there is none upon earth that I desire bewe have seen that you first refer to the tering upon his public course at the age of Son, in whom I am well pleased." You then who has a right to rest on the prom- side thee."

who were to enter upon their service at the ceremony of washing introduce them This, Sir, is strange reasoning. Cannot soul. Such an one knows the voice of 25, and leave at 50; and this arranged as to their office. The ceremonies of their the Saviour be considered as an example his shepherd, and is known of him, and if referring to one class of individuals !! consecration were so numerous, that it re- for his followers in the ordinance of bap- He maifests himself unto him not as he Saturday morning, at Control of the State House, at Two Dollars a As you have referred to chapter and quired seven days to perform it; and I tism, merely because there is not that undoes unto the world. "And they follow year, if paid in three months from the time of verse, you could not be ignorant of their again assert that a single instance cannot common display of power, and honour, and me." This they do from a principle of cept where there is a special agreement other-ling the scriptures, I leave to yourself, a Jewish Priest ever entered upon his ture, as there was at the baptism of the what wilt thou have me to do." I would While speaking of the baptism of Christ, would therefore request, in my own be- Let us apply your theory to another por- not be ashamed, when I have respect unyou say, "The nature and design of the half and others, that whenever you or tion of scripture, and see the result. to all thy commandments." Such persons rite, are explained by Numbers viii. 7, your brethren shall hereafter use the "Christ also suffered for us, leaving us delight to trace the footsteps of the Sa-"Thus shalt thou do to cleanse them, phrase to which I have referred, you will an example that ye should follow his viour; to follow the guidance of his word,

to the scriptures for a full explanation of the nature of the priesthood of Christ. even his crucifixion; and the Saviour, fold, of which Jesus Christ is the Chief the passage quoted, and be no longer in But, Sir, if you will read the Epistle of when speaking of this, informed some of Shepherd. They are not of them who First, the nature of it. "Sprinkle wa- your attempt to consecrate the Lord Jesus same, or be baptized with the baptism no more, and who draw back unto perdi the Editor of the Christian Secretary-Post ter of purifying upon them? But what is Christ a Priest, according to the law of Mo- with which he was baptized. The Sa- tion; but they are those who go on from water of purifying? The scriptures re- ses, is altogether frustrated. I will here viour, and they, suffered in the same strength to strength, and from one degree ply, "And a man that is clean shall gath- make a few interrogations, and let the cause; and for the same reason, they of grace to another. They are permitted er up the ashes of the heifer, and lay them language of the Apostle Paul answer were put to death. I here refer to the from time to time, to drink of that water up without the camp in a clean place, and them, and settle the point in question .- object which their murderers had in view. it shall be kept for the congregation of Was our High Priest of the tribe of Jew- These disciples followed the example of the Lamb-the source of which is eterthe children of Israel, for a water of sep- ish Priests? "For he of whom these their Lord, in suffering for his cause. nal, and the participation of which is eteraration: it is a purification for sin." things are spoken, pertaineth to another But according to your theory we must nal life begun in the soul. Such receive Num. xix. 9, "And the ashes of an heifer tribe, of which no man gave attendance to say, not so. When Christ was crucified, eternal life as a gracious gift; and they sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the the altar; for it is evident that our Lord the sun was darkened, the rocks were rent, can never perish, for they are kept by purifying of the flesh." Heb. ix. 13. sprang out of Judea, of which tribe, Moses the earth quaked, the graves opened, and the power of God, through faith unto sal-Thus, if you are correct, we have the es spake nothing concerning Priesthood." the dead arose and came forth. When I vation. Neither life nor death, things sential ingredient of that which John ap Heb. vii. 13, 14. Did he resemble them? ask, have circumstances like these, ever present nor things to come, can separate plied, when he administered the "rite." "And yet it is far more evident; for that attended the sufferings of a "Christian?" such souls from the love of God; which The next question is, how was it prepared after the similitude of Melchisedec, there How can it be accounted for in connection is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Having had tures inform us. "And for an unclean Was He of the order of Aaron? "Anoth- says, "Christ also suffered for us, leav- obtained a good hope through grace-this person, they shall take of the ashes of the er priest should rise after the order of ing us an example that ye should follow hope stimulates them to purify themburnt heifer of purification for sin, and Melchisedec, and not be called after the in his steps?" The same answer will selves, even as Christ the Lord is pure. running (in Hebrew, living.) water shall order of Aaron." Heb. vii. 11. Was apply in both cases. It will not appear on the persons that were there, and upon was since the low, maketh the Son, who is The Christian will not expect to hear the who become again entangled therein, and one dead, or a grave, and the clean per- "Who is made, not after the law of a car- "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am that their latter end is worse than their and wash his clothes, and bathe himself in but this with an oath; by him that said water, and shall be clean at even." Num. unto him, The Lord sware and will not sential ingredient, the ashes of a burnt heif the order of Melchisedec. Heb. vii. 21. Aaron and his sons at the door of the tab- ron?" Heb. vii. 11. Did not the sacrifi immutable basis, even the outh, and prom- for a time have been constrained by the ernacle, and sprinkling the Levites, we ces of that dispensation, save the King- ise of God. "For both he that sanctifi- force of truth to relinquish their former Jordan, in which the Bible informs us ces from dead works, to serve the living it by an oath; that by two immutable liness and hated sin; for, subjoins the

ward defined to be "his carnal mind !!" tion from other nations, were all confined cret, or open iniquity, a right to take the seemeth him good." They bow submis-

vites, who were to commence their servi- when driven to desperation, on account of ter after baptism, the heavens opened,

'public course at the age of thirty." I "King of Kings, and Lord of Lords?"

For the Christian Secretary.

tural warrant to expect salvation, on the remember the sound of the shepherd's

purified for sin, according to the law of world; and could be finally saved only od professed to have a hope in Christ, will arise and go to my father's house, Moses, falls but little, if any thing short by that new and better covenant, made and who made a profession of religion, and where there is bread enough, and to

and the Holy Ghost descended on him in divine truth, is consistent with itself - their heavenly benefactor, exclaims, was 123; and then you introduce some to enter upon their work at thirty, nor did designed for our example, is impossible." Spiritual life, and joy and peace into his and critical self-examination. Many will

be useful in thy cause. "Then shall I explain your meaning, and leave us no steps." 1 Peter, ii. 21. In the sentence and spirit, and providence. Their works from which the above is taken, the Apos- of faith, and their labours of love, give It would seem that you are ignorant of the includes the whole sufferings of Christ, evidence of their belonging to the one Paul to the Hebrews, you will find that his disciples that they should suffer the tire, and faint, and walk the ways of God which flows from the throne of God and

> But does not the Apostle Peter, in his beginning? And does he not say, "It had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than after they have known it, to turn away from the holy commandment delivered unto them ?" He certainly does.

> And a most solemn warning is here works of God, in the effects which his

But that these characters never had it is in very faithfulness that he afflicts Has the man who at some former peri- them; and like the prodigal they say, "I form of godliness, destitute of the power, they, melted with a sense of his love, pray counsel, and receive them to glory .--The text, like every other portion of While their heart, with adoring views of

Korathites, who were to enter upon their thirty, and to be introduced to his work then say, "When have circumstances ise of God, is one who in the present This subject should admonish those, work at 30 and leave at 50. You then re- by washing." I would enquire what like these ever attended a Christian bap- tense, "hears the voice of the Good who are living on what they think they have fer to Aaron, who was entering upon his you can possibly mean by this sentence? tism? And to account for them on the Shepherd." "They that hear shall in times past experienced of the gracious work at 83, and held his office until he The law did not require the typical priests principle that the baptism of Christ was live." The voice of Jesus has infused influences of the divine spirit, to solemn

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This subject should admonish those who are now sustained with a comforta- Elder WM T. BRANTLY. ble assurance of the Saviour's love, to strive to grow in grace and in the knowledge of God their Saviour; for then, and REVIVAL IN MORATICO CHURCH. then only shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord, that His goings forth are prepared as the morning, and he shall come unto such as the rain-as the former and the latter rain on the earth.

This subject teaches the nature of the doctrine of perseverance.-The perseverance of the saints, is a tending up wards-is a gradual progression towards the moral image of Christ, a growing in grace, in Christian knowledge, and in holy self-denial to the end.

The perseverance of the impenitent is a progression in sin; deceiving, and being deceived with false hopes, and vain anticipations; adding iniquity unto iniquity, though often admonished by conscience and the word of God, of the sandy foundation of their hopes, until they make themselves vessels of wrath fitted to destruc-

REVIVAL IN HADDAM.

of Haddam, dated March 11, 1928.

zed, twenty-three are males, and eighteen seen in the Northern Neck. Amen. females. Of the number of hopeful converts through the whole town, among the various denominations of Christians, it is impossible for me at this time to state with accuracy. Frobably from 2 to 300. Recent intelligence from the Baptist Mis-

In view of what God has done for us, I wish ever to be humble and thankful to Him, for the rich displays of his Almighty grace, and to be active in his blessed service during my earthly pilgrimage.

I remain, Yours, &c.

Extract of a Letter from Elder A. W. this section, as well as in Jasper and some travelled 390 miles since that time, and other places. Since October, 1826, El- continued, as usual, distributing the bread der King has baptized about 140 persons of life to countrymen every day. My pirectly informed, and if my memory does helping to facilitate the great object of not fail me, about 280 persons-Elder extending the Saviour's kingdom, by proble number, and Elder Barnes, about Isl. pel. This has not relaxed my feeble efand Creek, has baptized 50 or 60.

incredulous. For my own part, when I you may be assured of it, preaching, travsee and hear some of the dear brethren, elling, and inspecting the schools forms rious efforts that are now making to ex- keeping out of sight, also, my morning tend the borders of the Redeemer's king- and evening duty of praying with the famon, I am reminded of the pitiful, child- ilies where I visit, and expounding to

divine of his day, was forbidden to ascend day, absorbs almost every moment. must be supported. Thus too, some of ministers of all denominations are now the vines and fig-trees; but it was "in our brethren think every Convention and preaching the gospel in the cabins of the deep waters where there was no standing !" General Association savours of Poperx pror. Ireland is beginning to see the How many must have said, as they saw

and evermore, Amen.

A. W. CLOPTON.

From the Religious Herald. Indian Creek, Feb. 5, 1828.

DEAR Sir,-

I shall offer no apology for the present communication, convinced as I am, that it will afford you as much pleasure to hear of the prospects of Zion, as it does to me in giving the intelligence. The Moratico Baptist Church had for several years, in fact ever since the demise of its highly esteemed pastor, Elder Straughan, been in a state of coldness and sluggish inactivity in spiritual things; it seldom had the word of life preached to its members by Baprist ministers-a Laodicean spirit seemed to have taken hold on them; they had none statedly to go in and out before them, and it seemed as if they would perish for lack of knowledge. But the Lord is good, his mercy endureth for ever. After suffering the members of this church to feel severely the loss of a faithful minister (no doubt for their good) it pleased him who rules and controls the hearts of all, to send Extract of a Letter from Rev. Simon Shailer, to, and locate among us, Elder J. B. Je-"You have heard of the reformation in strated the sincerity of his heart, he is in part of the town, last fall, and has since and out of season; his deportment in and that time spread to all parts of the town. out of the pulpit manifests that his com-The work has been unusually great, and sion is from above; his whole powers of glorious. Many have come from abroad soul and body seemed to be dedicated to bad; they said "they had a mind to folto witness the work of God, and were con- the service of his Master. He is winstrained to say, "This is the Lord's do- ning souls to Christ; many seals have ings, and is marvellous in our eyes." The already been added to his ministry in the work extended to the south part of the county of Lancaster. The old soldiers town, where I reside, the second week in of the cross have been, through his in-January, and was very powerful among strumentality inspired with new life, their the unregenerate, and also among those hearts have been warmed and animated who professed to be Christians. The with holy fire. Prayer and concert meetsighs and "groans of the wounded," ings are well attended. The power of were sufficient to affect the most obdurate divine grace is often felt, and its effects heart; but blessed be God, these peni- seen, at regular and stated meetings, contential sighs were soon followed by the gregations are large, solemn, and of course new song of the redeemed, and the joyful attentive. We are, I trust, grateful for acclamation of praise to God for the wan- what the Lord bath done for us, we praise derer reclaimed. I have not failed of at- him for what he is still doing, and we an tending the ordinance of baptism for eight ticipate with pleasing delight, that the Lord's days past, in which time I have time is near at hand, when he will in the baptized forty-one, who have united with plenitude of his grace pour out such a the Church in this place. Of the bapti- blessing as has never before been felt or

> Yours in Christian love, R. EDMOND.

> > IRELAND.

sionaries in Ireland.

FROM REV. J. M'CARTHY. Elden Cottage, Kitbeggan, Nov. 9, 1827. be thankful for the goodness of God, as experienced since the 3d of September last, when I despatched my last journal, as there is an increasing desire excited Clopton, now in Georgia, to the Editor. in the minds of the people throughout my There is a most glorious revival through circuit to hear the word of life. I have Henderson has also baptized a considera- claiming with me the same glorious gosforts, nor kept me from preaching one But the excitement is not confined to sermon less, nor, at the usual times, from the Congregations of these brethren. visiting any one of my places; yet in my Several other places are visited with gra- absence he has been made useful, in givcious out pourings of the Holy Spirit. A ing the people more constant preaching, very precious work of the Lord is going and by that means keeping them together. on at Sardis M. House, in Pike county, I enclose his modest journal, which will under the ministration of Elder John give you but a very faint idea of what he true servants of Christ, on the ground, that ful. I am endeavouring to collect all the

mostly announce the subject to be deliv- by the priests, began to move to the brink nezer, in Anglesea. ered next, so it not only attracts their at- of Jordan. It was placed about two huntention, but, in the interim, leads to re dred cubits in advance of the camp, that search. The distribution of well-se- the eyes of all Israel might see it. They lected tracts has been made a blessing to did see it-but only as usual: it gave no some. Lately I travelled about :wenty token of a miracle. Its cherubim of glostance, and said, "they were so esteem A contrary effect was produced on others, dry ground. amine whether the subject was good or of God. At Keanagh, after using every the type and pledge. other means to induce a Catholic boy to commit the word of God to memory, without effect, I publicly dismissed him from the school. A few days after his father stormy river-at the sight and sound of brought him back, humbly soliciting his which the heart naturally trembles. The readmission which we done. In general fear of death is instinctive in the human schools .- Lon. Bap. Mag. for Jan. 1828. acquired hardihood, betrayed it, by try

JORDAN DIVIDED BEFORE THE ARK.

Lord of all the earth passeth over before thee "overfloweth all bis banks, all the time death burst through all the forms of Im- his business with energy and success. of harvest." Accordingly, it was in full perial dignity. And even now, in Morocflood-impetnous and impassable-when co, no one dare inform the Emperor that the Israelites encamped before its "swel- a friend or an officer is dead; but most Dear Brethren,-I have much cause to lings." No bridge spanned its current, paraphrase the fact, by saying, "he has prevails, of requiring all candidates for -and since last October, Elder Cyrus ous and indefatigable young brother Hut- Red Sea had been. And, now, they no greatest physician of the age says, that a Christ to the whole world, and to entreat White has baptized, if I have been cor- chinson, has been exceedingly active in longer had "the fiery, cloudy pillar" to brave general, who had often "faced the the world to be reconciled to God through the waves and the wilderness; but when whelmed, when informed that his disease far, very proper and consistent, and such ever, like the star of Bethlehem when it Age. had led the Magi to the manger of the Incarnation. It is not probable, therefore that the people calculated upon the The First Asserter of Religious Liberty in dividing of the waters again, when that standard was withdrawn which first made Persecution for Religion Judged and Con-"the waters afraid." Its removal from the camp, at such a critical moment, would naturally induce such an idea, Milney, and I am sorry that I have not has been doing since I addressed you last. that the miracle at the Red Sea was which the principle of religious liberty fessions, and with what an unfeeling correct information on the subject as re- A weekly prayer meeting has been set on not to be renewed at Jordan : for the vis- was ever brought forward clearly and disspects both the places, labourers, and ex. foot lately at Athlone, and is in general ible means being thus taken away, the tinctively. In the Preface, Mr. Ivimey their fellow men? Our whole subsetent. The revival in the bounds of El. very well attended; and brother Merry probability was that the former measures informs his readers, that one reason for quent life should flow on in the channel der White's congregation, made its first expounds a portion of the word of God would not be adopted. And as the people did not yet know the full virtue of the fact. The Independents, it seems, have love has conferred a consecrated characformed, at the Georgia General Associa- what I have been told by persons who Ark of the Covenant, nor anticipate all claimed, and do still claim, the honour of ter tion; an institution, no doubt, from Heav- have heard him, he is not only generally the uses of it, it is impossible to say in being the first Christian denomination what manner they expected to pass over who have recommended " religious lib coursing to us with much warmth and Jordan. An extraordinary subsiding of erty to the esteem of the world." Mr. earnestness on his favourite topic. At there is no Scriptural warrant, as they intellect and talent I can find amongst my the waters seems, however, the only lyimey states, on the authority of Messrs. his own house and surrounded with his can discover, for it. It is most devoutly brethren, and set it in motion. Within thing they could have looked for, until Bogue and Bennett, in their History of family, we were all listening to the losty to be hoped, that this signal display of the bounds of my circuit, which extends the third day, when they were assured Dissenters, that "the first Independent argument which seemed so much to en-Jehovah's approving smiles, will be a de- from Keaghnah in Longford county, to that the Lord would do "wonders" Church in England was not formed until gross the powers of his mind, when castamongst them. Then, and not before, the year 1616, the year after this pamph- ing his eye through a window, he saw his could they have had any distinct hope of a let was published." (Preface, pp. 6, servant boy running after some mischief, miracle. During the interval, therefore, 7.) If the Independents can prove that "Rascal, vagrant," he exclaimed, "But children of God, starting and urging obbut a moderate part of what constitutes between the general promise and this before this time, they pleaded the same this doctrine was the tavourite theme of the constitute of the present eventful period. particular assurance, they must have cast cause, let it be done; in the mean time the primitive christians"-" I say there many a trembling and impatient look at the present pamphlet is a proof that it call back that boy." Now the doctrine waves thereof reared and were troubled." ment in 1615. The author is believed most cordially love and which we cannot ish, and even superstitious disputes, in them the Scriptures. Controverting the And this trial of their faith and patience to be Mr. Thomas Helwisse, a character hear named without an impression of revelopment to be Mr. Thomas Helwisse, a character hear named without an impression of revelopment it most deplora-Dr. Owen's day, about the clerical dress numerous heterodox principles which, must have been aggravated by the near highly deserving esteem and veneration. erence, but we thought it most deploration. sight they had of Canaan. The land of We unite cordially with Mr. Brook in his ble for the truth to be so mangled with the pulpit, unless arrayed in a particular The opinions of the Roman Catholics ness. The vines of Eschol, the cedars the present work, "This was a bold propromise now before them in all its loveli- "Lives of the Puritans," in saying of levity. The man's spirit was in no keepdress. Thus A ____ C ___ tells us, are attacked from every quarter; and, if of Lebanon, the palm trees of Carmel, testation against the illegal and iniquitous judged it a most flagrant disproportion. that we must not preach from a particular manfully followed up, their system will and the roses of Sharon, were visible to proceedings of the ruling prelates, and a text—that the gospel must be chiefly prop- soon be shaken from centre to circum the eye. The autumnal fragrance of noble stand in favour of religious liber fertile Palestine breathed across the wa- ty." We need not say more in recomsending missionaries—because the former ings lately instituted will be a great means ters. There seemed to be only a step, mending it to our readers.—London Bap will preach gratuitously but the latter of accomplishing it; and, besides this, between the camp and sitting down under Mag. for January, 1828.

we greatly fear are enemies of the cross ly, and understand more correctly the sons who would sometime ago have deemof Christ. Deceiving, and being deceiv- tenth Chapter of the Gospel by Luke. ed it a sin or a shame to hear the gospel rest!" All must have been impatiently churches there are 140 ordained minis. ed, who glory in their shame, and who Grace, mercy and peace, be with you now out of what are called consecrated walls, looking for the subsiding of the waters. ters, and ten unordained. Of these minmay be seen in some places, with their But still Jordan overflowed all its banks : isters sixteen bear the name of Jones. servants in livery, driving to hear it in a "deep called noto deep upon its channels, twelve the name of Evans, fifteen the smoky but, and inviting ministers to and "the mountains shook with the swei- name of Davies, twelve that of Williams. preach it at their own houses. Is not ling thereof." And there was no Moses fifteen that of Thomas, &c. The celethis the work of God? I know not of any to stretch his rod over the waves, and no brated Christmas Evans whose specimen

" Death, like a narrow sea, divides

This beavenly land from ours." And death is felt to be a dark and

A BAPTIST England.

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lace. By Joseph Iv mey.

WELSH BAPTISTS.

D that they would read more frequent- | she before witnessed. Respectable per- to shore, "O that I had the wings of a | sides Monmouthshire, most of the churchplace in my circuit which is not in gene. pillar or cloud of fire to lead the way ! of Welch preaching has been so often quoral well attended. To excite and keep up But, "early in the morning" of the ted and admired, was for thirty-six years the spirit of hearing amongst them, I third day, the Ark of the Covenant, borne Pastor of the church Llangefini or Ebe-

> From the American Sunday School Mag. "GO! BE A DROP."

There are but two ways in which men can be governed; the one is by power. miles through a very destitute country; ry did not wave the rod of Moses or of dungeons, prisons, tortures, stripes. not of people, for it is numerously popu. Aaron. The Sheckmah of the Divine chains; the other, by intellect and moral lated; but destitute nearly of all means of presence did not shine out from its mercy- control. What is to become of those religious instruction. I folded up sheet seat. It assumed no new appearance, children whose parents are intemperate. tracts in the form of letters, and all the and showed no visible symbols of a pres- and of those, whose parents go a riding way I dropped them where I believed ent Deity. But, "The waters saw thee, or sporting on Sunday, instead of giving they would be soon taken up. Last O God, the waters saw thee, they were them instruction drop by drop, and line Lord's day but one I preached at Mollin. afraid; Jordan was driven back?" . The upon line? What is to become of that gar, for the Rev. Mr. Gibson, who is in waters which came down from above, vast multitude, who, if they did not get affliction. A person who was then there, stood and rose up upon an heap, very far instruction at the Sunday School, would and lives within the precincts of a village from the city of Adam that is beside get no religious instruction? How is the where many of the tracts were picked Zaretan; and those that came down to- mighty mass of our nation, to be kept up, and not knowing that I was the person wards the sea of the plain, even the salt from putrifying, but by having the salt who dropped them, related the circum- sea, failed and were cut off." Well might thrown into it? The Sunday School David ask, " What ailed thee, O thou sea, teacher may look at his little class of eight ed by some who found them, that they that thou fleddest? Thou Jordan, that or ten, and say, "What is this compared would not lend them to their neighbours, thou wast driven back?" The answer with a whole nation?" and may think ter, whose zeal and pious walk demon- lest they could not get them again: and is, " Behold the Ark of the Covenant of that he cannot do any good,—and that his that they were comparing the different the Lord of all the earth passeth into Jor- duty is what may be done, and it is well this place. It commenced in the West truth indefatigable, he is instant in season kinds, and boasting each had got the best." dan." Then all Israel passed over on if it is done; and if it is not done, it is kinds, and boasting each had got the best." pretty nearly as well. But this is a dan-The interesting fact has been long and gerous principle; for the nation is not to often employed as an emblem of that spe- be reformed by any suddent movement : rial support which God has promised to this is not the way which God has appointlow me and pelt me with stones." As to Vouchsafe unto his people at death. Ac ed, and it took God, himself, six days to the schools, I mean to give you a detailed cordingly, "swellings of Jordan" are make the world: likely enough to exhibaccount of them in my next letter; suf- become a familiar image of death. And it to man the effect of patient industry ;fice it to say, as usual, they are going on there is a scriptural propriety, as well as and he, who might have caused the statewell. At Ballycumber the master has in- poetic boldness, in the image : for as Jor- ly oak to rear its trunk, and stretch its stituted a night school for several adult dan divided Canaan from the wilderness, mighty limbs by a word of his power, has Catholics; some of them are learning so death flows between this world and caused that it should come from the little their letters, others are reading the word that heaven-of which Canaan was both acorn. In the watering of the earth, he might suddenly overflow it. But he has caused that it should be watered drop by drop, and sometimes by the almost imperceptible dew. What if one of those drops should say, that it was of no use for it to go down to the earth, that it could do no good? But God says, 'Go!' He I find this to be the most efficient means mind. Even the ancient Romans, not- says to the Sunday School teacher, 'Go! of maintaining the constitution of the withstanding all their natural bravery and -go, be a drop!' What if all the vast labour of the United States was to be put ing to hide it under the refinements of before one man, for him to perform language. They would not say of a alone? He would faint at the very friend, that he was dead, but that he had thought of it. But let him have a little Behold, the Ark of the Covenant of the lived. Hence their common expression, farm given him, of sixty or a hundred " Decessit e vita." " Euthanasia! Eu acres, to break up, to clear the wood, to thanasia!" was the piercing cry of Au. scatter the seed. Then he would bright-' Jordan," says the sacred historian, gustus Caesar. The wish for a happy en up, he would go about, and perform

RELIGIOUS DISPROPORTIONS.

Among us Baptists the good custom and the people had no boats to cross in fulfilled his destiny." Dr. Johnson, it is the ordinances of the Church, to declare They had, however, a divine promise well known could not bear the subject of their religious experience before the conthat " within three days they should pass death to be introduced in his presence. gregation. On such occasions it is usual over this Jordan." How, they were not Boswell offended him even by asking if. it to hear such declarations as the following: told at the time. It is, therefore, proba- was not possible to fortify the mind against .. When I felt a Saviour precious, and ble that, during this interval, many aux- the tear of death. Sir Waller Raleigh the burden of my guilt removed, my soul ious thoughts and feelings passed through affected, indeed, to jest on the scaffold; seemed to expand with love to all mantheir minds ; for they were not informed but their frequent attempts to escape kind. The transport of my spirit would that the river would be divided, as the death betrayed their real feelings. The have led me, if possible, to recommend look to. It had led their way through cannon's mouth," dropped down over- his beloved Son." This has appeared so Canaan was fully in view, it vanished for- was fatal .- Spirit and Manners of the expressions may be regarded as the early dictates of that charity with which a happy convert is inspired. But what has been our mortification to find in these same persons a strange indifference to the salvation of their fellow men, when that object has been coupled with any pecuniary sacrifices or self-denial? How entirely have they appeared to forget

A decided Trinitarian was once disthe swellings of Jordan," while "the was exhibited with great cogency of argu- of the Adorable Trinity is one which we

PROGRESS OF THE BIBLE CAUSE.

Two more State Resolutions.

With unfeigned pleasure we announce, this week, a resolution of the Directors of the New Hampshire Bible Society, that they will use all possible exertions to supply with a Bidawn of a more glorious day than ever the doves of Canaan darting from shore hundred and sixteen Baptist churches, be- Lexington, in reference to the population of them their cour dene to pr

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proffered boon, is folly and madness which which will put an end to all their efforts. id treasures. When its storms beat over their graves, it will be too late, -too late!

for this also he will be inquired of, to do it for with others.

From the Charlest in Observer. WESLEY'S TESTAMENT.

That Wesley's Testament has been carry d through the country and circulated by Methodist presiding elders, circuit riders, &c. none will dare to deny. And other Testament than Wesley's: it is imthe following extracts are taken, was published in New York in 1815, by D. Hitt and T. Ware, for the Methodist connexion in the United States."

Westey's A Iteration. John vi. 64 .- But John vi. 64 .- But there are some of you there are some of you beginning who they the beginning who they were that believed not, were that believed not, trav him.)

Acrs IV. 27, 28.— Acrs IV. 27, 28.— For of a truth, against For of a truth, both ontius Pilate, with the were gathered togeth Gentiles, and the peo- er against thy holy ple of Israel were ga- child Jesus, whom thou thered together, for to bast anointed, to do do whatsoever thy hand whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel deter- and thy counsel be mined before to be fore determined to be done.

JUDE 4 .- For there JUDE 4 .- For there pre certain men crept are certain men crept in unawares, who were in unawares, who were before of old ordained of old described before, to this condemnation, with regard to this ungodly men, turning condemnation, ungoddenying the only Lord asciviousness, and de-God, and our Lord nying our only Master of the original enactment of Jesus Christ, are

REV XXII. 19 .- And REV. XXII. 19 .- And if any man shall take if any man shall take away from the words away from the words of the book of this of the book of this mistaken on this subject; and were they at prophecy, God shall prophecy God shall take away his part out take away his part of of the book of life, and the tree of life, and the Lord one day in the week, and the world or out of the holy city, holy city, which are and from the things written in this book. which are written in this book.

These are few of the many alterations Mr. Wesley has made. Let the reader say whether they are important or not.

From the Philadelpian.

The following extract of a letter is from a young Gentleman, now resident in Lima, to his Father in this city.

In the summer season, which lasts from the first October to the first of May, I have been in the habit of passing my evenings in the coun name means look at the flowers, about one and 7th of the past month I was detained later than About 8 o'clock 1 left Lima well mounted and armed, it being in the holidays, Flores, where I am acquainted in a Spanish Family. When I was nearly half the distance, it being a fair moonlight evening and the road back, who I supposed to be Englishmen, and was therefore entirely off my guard. I was passing a little bridge not more than 20 rods bridle was carried over my horse's head, a pistol presented on each side and the terms of carried me off the road about one square and. robbed me of my horse, my clothes, watch, &c. and 30 dollars in money, leaving me nothing. They then tied my hands behind me, also tying to make the blood come; then muffling my eyes told me to prepare for death

Till now, af er being made prisoner, I had natural pride which I have always had, nearly cost me my life. I reflected for a moment, and was aroused by their asking me if I had the gospel, should live of the gospel.

Kentucky.—Let the reader now pass in reriew the States and Counties which it has
it would be foolish to die like a dog without an been resolved shall be supplied with the Word effort to preserve my life. I then spoke for of God, and observe whether his own is included among the number. If not, let him tion, telling them it was unnecessary to murinquire whether a part of the blame does not der me, as no advantage could arise to them by it, and that I would remain where I was till In all these States and Counties, embracing morning. After some consultation, they remajority of the entire population of the tighted my arms and feet and left me. I renited States [9,638,166] according to the mained on the spot for a considerable time. census of 1820, the noble enterprise of supply- when I succeeded in getting my arms free. ing every destitute family with a Bible, is I had used the artifice when they were bindgress. In many other Counties and Wards, throwing them behind me now they became ere no such resolution has been formally almost free. I then removed the bandage from my eyes and found all quiet. It cost me with some slight exceptions) been projected and was enabled to reach Mira Flores about well as in the natural. To neglect the with a young friend, well mounted on a large, powerful horse, which I had bought in Mira ered in. The present is peculiarly a harvest- discovered my horse with one of the robbers time in respect to the Bible. The nation is in on him at the distance of a square, at the same some good measure, awake to its importance. time he saw me and attempted to escape, but Wherever a resolution is formed, in reached him and seized his bridle, he pressing divine strength, to put the Bible into the hands forward lifted me out of my saddle, at the success. Who are those that would suffer the fire, I grappled with him, and at this moment rollen epportunity to pass unimproved? Let my friend arrived on the other side, and with them know that a winter is approaching, his assistance the robber was secured, and we on my new hor e, a powerful black beast, leading the horse with the robber, a , istol While the Word of God is thus having free cocked in my hand and my friend bringing up course,-running to the farthermost bounds of the rear in the same manner. The robber the nation, and into the abode of many a her- was sentenced to ten years imprisonment in Rev. Hubbel Loomis, Pastor of the Congredened sinner, -is it not the duty of Christians | the Castle, his companion was taken and shot to pray that it may be glorified in the salvation in my presence sometime afterwards. I have of perishing souls. For though doubtless it been thus wonderfully preserved from the publicly from the pulpit renounced Infant ty of Europe. shall accomplish that which God pleases, and most imminent danger, and shall be careful in Sprinkling, and avowed himself a Baptist, prosper in the thing whereto he sends it, yet future never to ride out unless in company in principle, and many of his Church are hap-

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And daily in the temple, and from house to house, they ceased not to teach, and to preach

Such is the description given of the ministehow many families there are connected rial work, as understood, and performed by with the Methodist Church, who have no the primitive ambassadors of Christ. Their whole hearts were set on their work. They possible to say. The copy from which had no time to devote to other pursuits-they loved their master--they loved his servicethey loved the souls of men-they saw that the world was lying in wickedness and rebelhon-that terms of reconcidation had been proposed by the court of heaven-that Jesus Christ had undertaken to mediate in behalf of hat believe not. For who believe not. (For sinful men; and that he had gone up where Jesus knew from the Jesus had known from he was before, for the express purpose, of appearing in the presence of God, as an advoand who should betray and who would not be- cate. Possessing full confidence in the now er, grace, and faithfulness of Christ to do all that he had promised, and having received his thy holy child Jesus, Herod and Pontius Pi- commission to preach salvation in his name. whom thou hast anoin-late, with the Gentiles they conferred not with flesh and blood, but ted, both Herod and and people of Israel, cheerfully surrendered their souls and bodies ject, for it is one in which we have from the forts have been directed—the termination of a living sacrifice to God: and one of them said. " Neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I may finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the

If such was the character and conduct of he primitive ministers of Christ, and if they understood their commission as laying them under an imperious obligation, to bring all the grace of our God ly men turning the their powers of body and mind to this service; into lasciviousness, and grace of our God into by what new law, or by what new modification and Lord, Jesus Christ. his professed ministers now warranted in "entangling themselves in the affairs of this life?" Were the primitive ministers of the gospel liberty, like modern preachers, to serve the themselves six days? Every one must answer these questions in the negative.

sequence, that those ministers who profess to whence the latter sailed on the 13th of Febrube called of God to the awfully responsible ary, the Editors of the Morning Courier have work of ambassadors for Christ; as watchman upon the walls of Zion, to watch for souls as 18th Jan. to 17th Feb. both inclusive. Also they who must give account, and yet can de Greenock and Glasgow papers to the 15th, vote a large portion of their time to worldly pursuits, are following in the way of trans- Liverpool Correspondent's letter, puts them gression and sin? We think it does.

But some one will say, I should be glad either unable or unwilling to support me, red before. tantly to engage in other occupations. Persent forth his disciples to preach, without ton. submission or death immediately. They then purse or scrip, or even two coats? Did he not mean in the first place to put the faith of ier and Mr. Huskisson in the House on the his disciples to the test? Most undoubtedly he did. They had families too, at least some difficulty the M rning Herald says, has been my feet together, drawing the cord so tight as of them, as well as you; and how, they might arranged, and Mr. H. remains. Another rewith the same propriety enquire, will they be State for Foreign Affairs, and that Lord Dudsupported, if I thus devote all my time to this ley is to retire; it is also ad led that Lord God maintained a haughty silence, disdaining to work? Also, the Saviour has here taught the erich is to succeed Mr. Huskisson as Secrebeg for mercy from these ruffians, and this Churches and the world, that the workman is the same office which the Noble Viscount fillworthy of his meat, and that they who preach ed under the late Mr. Canning's Administra-

tiles was constrained to exclaim, "Who is sufficient for these things? With all his piety, learning, talents, and application, the Apostle felt his incompetency. Yet some who profess to have received a commission to the same work of preaching Christ, seem to think that they have fulfilled this commission, when either already completed, or in successful pro- ing me, to press them close to my side and by they have preached the Gospel publicly from Sabbath to Sabbath. But so did not the Apostles think, " but daily in the temple, and from peoplish the same result. And it is worthy of more trouble to loose my feet, in which I at house to house, they ceased not to teach, and remark, that this great amount of good has last succeeded. I then soon regained the road to preach Jesus." The preaching of the gosand brought to its present state of forward- ten o'clock. I remained here about two pel publicly, attendance on the sick, dying, ness, within the space of about seven months. weeks to regain my health and strength, and and dead, visiting from house to house, atten-There are harvest-times in the moral world, sat out on the 22d to return to Lima, in company dance on the Sabbath School, and Bible Class the labours of the study, and the devotions of ands no comparison in leaving the fruits of Flores - When arrived in the middle of the the closet, are the proper field of labour for the earth to perish, when they might be gath- road, near the place where I was robbed, I the minister of Christ; and here is service, for which the undivided talents of no man are East of Europe. fully adequate. Let ministers be faithful, as The power of example is exerting its full I being mounted on the best horse, soon in the sight of God—and they then will see the habitants of the Greek previnces and I lands, blessed fruits of their labours, while they have which has been marked on each side by exof the destitute, every effort is crowned with same instant he snapped his pistol but it missed in doing this, placed themselves in a situation cesses revolting to humanity. in which they may rely with confidence on the powerful arm of Jesus, for comfort and intercourse of civilized Nations, have been brought him into Lima to the admiration of support; and he has promised to add unto whether to bless mankind, or to hoard up sor- the multitude, myself leading the way mounted them all needful temporal good. Woe to that people who neglect a faithful pastor.

> We are informed that, "Last Lord's day, gational Church in Willington, in this State, doubt will act with him, in conformity with their avowed faith in this matter."-Mr. Loomis's high standing in the Congregational King of France. Church is extensively known.

It will afford mach gratification to the numerous friends of the COLUMBIAN COLLEGE. Congress of the United States have passed the bill proposing to release that semidary from a very unfortunate contract, made with the government, and to receive back from the Board of the College, the papers and funds by them that the transaction will now be as if it had and that of the Ottoman Porte.

We learn with pleasure, that the Subscriptions for Fifty Thousand Dollars to pay the demands against the College is nearly filled, institution are removed, so that a fair prospect is presented, that a reorganization of the Faculty, and commencement of operations may be expected soon to take place.

We might extend our remarks on this subselection of Rev. Mr. Galusba to visit the Churches in New England, with reference to rested since the general treaty of peace. Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospei of the grace this object, was a very judicious measure. We trust his visit to this City has been pro ductive of much good, independent of the pelege, by his brethren.

ERRATA.

In No. 5. of the reply to (V.) a typographical error in the Greek word Louo, used in the case of Naaman, &c. has occurred. It consists in putting (s) as the final letter, in-

General kntelligence.

From the Morning Courier. LATE FROM EUROPE.

By the packet ships Britannia, Capt. Marshall; New-York, Capt. Bennett; James Does it not then follow as a necessary con- Cropper, Capt. Graham-all from Liverpool, received their regular files of London papers from 17th Jan. to 16th Feb. Liverpool from and Belfast to 14th idem, which together with London prices currents, Lloyds, and their in possession of information to the last hour of the J. C's. sailing .- The Cropper brought the first account of her arrival at Liverpool, thus to devote myself to the work of preaching a circumstance, which, during the ten years try, at a small town, called Mira Flores, the Christ, but I have a family, and my people are that this line has been established, never occur-

an half leagues from this place. I was in the practice of leaving Lima at 5 in the afternoon, while I devote all my time faithfully to their —Premier, Duke of Wellington; President and returning at 8 in the morning, but on the service, and I am therefore compelled reluc of the Council, Lord Bathurst; Lord Chancellor, Lord Lyndhurs ; Lord of the Privy Seal, Lord Ellenborough; Chancellor of the mit me to enquire, have you ever, in humble, Exchequer, flon. Henry Goulburn; Master intending stopping two or three days in Mira and prayerful reliance on God, put them to of the Ordnance, Lord Beresford; Secretary the trial; or have you not rather been dis. of State for Home Department, Mr. Peel; trustful of the kind providence of that Saviour, son; Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Secretary of State for Colonies, Mr. Huskislonely, I met and passed two men on horse- under whose commission you profess to act? Earl Dudley; President of the Board of Con-And influenced by this distrustful spirit, has trol, Lord Melville; President of the Board not your heart gone after your covetousness, of Trade and Trea-urer of the Navy, Mr. C. Grant; Chancellor of Duchy of Laucaster, ahead of them, when they spurred forward until your soul has become lean and famish- Earl of Aberdeen; Master of the Mint, Mr. and I was so completely surprised that my ing? What did the Saviour intend when he Herries; Secretary of War, Lord Palmers-

> Very high words passed between the Prem--- Feb; in consequence of which, it is supposed Mr. H. would leave the Cabinet. This tary of State for the Colonial Department-

The ministry of the gospel is a work of such magnitude, that the great Apostle to the Genore tiles was constrained to exclaim. "Who is account is from the New Times :

HOUSE OF LORDS, Jan. 29.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of Parliament at a little before two o'clock their Lordships began to assemble. None of his Majesty's ministers, with the exception of the Lord Chancellor aud Lord Ellenborough two of the noblemen nominated in the com-

My Lords and Gentlemen,

We are commanded b his Majesty to acquaint you, that his Majesty continues to receive, from all Foreign Princes and States, assurances of their desire to maintain the relations of amity with this country; and that the great powers of Europe participate in the earnest wish of his Majesty to cultivate a good understanding on all points which may conduce to the preservation of peace.

His Majesty has viewed for some time past, with great concern, the state of affairs in the

For several years a contest has been carri-

In the progress of that contest, the right of neutral States, & the laws which regulate the repeatedly violated and the peaceful commerce of His Majesty's subjects has been exposed to frequent interruption and to depre dations, too often aggravated, by acts of violence and atrocity.

His Majesty has felt the deepest anxiety to terminate the calamities, and avert the dan gers, inseparable from hostilities which con stitute the exception to the general tranquili-

Having been earnestly entreated by the Greeks to interpose his good offices, with a view to effect a reconciliation between them pily united with him in sentiment; and no and the Ottomon Porte. His Majesty concerted measures for that purpose in the first instance with the Emperor of Russia, and subsequently with his Imperial Majesty and the

His Majesty has given directions that there should be laid before you copies of a proctocol signed at St. Petersburgh by the Plenipotentiaries of his Majesty and of his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Russia, on the 4th of in the District of Columbia, to learn, that the April, 1326, and of the treaty entered into between his Majesty and the Courts of the Tuileries and St. Petersburgh, on the 6th of Ju-

In the course of the measures adopted with a view to carry into effect the object of the reaty, a collision wholly unexpected by his Majesty, took place in the Port of Navaria, received in connection with this contract; so between the fleets of the Contracting powers

Notwithstanding the valour displayed by the combined fleet, his Majesty deeply laments that this conflict should have occurred with the naval force of an ancient Ally; but he still entertains a confident hope that this untoward event will not be followed by further and that the obstacles to the prosperity of that hostilities, and will not impede that amicable adjustment of the existing differences between the Porte and the Greeks, to which it is so manifestly their common interest to accede.

In maintaining the National Faith by adhering to the engagements into which his Majesty has entered, his Majesty will never lose for sharpening razors, &c. sight of the great objects to which all his effirst, felt deeply interested, but we shall de- the contest between the hostile parties-the sist for the present, with only adding, that the permanent settlement of their future relations to each other-and the maintenance of the repose of Europe upon the basis on which it has

His Majesty has the greatest satisfaction in informing you that the purposes for which his Majesty, upon the requisition of the Court of Lishon, detached a military force to Portugal, cuniary aid so cheerfully afforded to the Coland independence of Portugal secured, his Majesty has given orders that the forces now in that country should be immediately with-

We are commanded by his Majesty to acquaint you that his Majesty has concluded treaties of amity and commerce with the Emperor of Brazil, and with the United States of Mexico; copies of which will, by his Majesty's command, be laid before you.

SPAIN.

A conspiracy has been discovered at Saragossa, and four officers have been shot. It is said that the French will evacuate Cadiz, and that the government was forming a force of 8000 men to take the place of the French troops The prime leader of the Catalonia Insurrection, Jep del Estangs, has been taken. Advices from Spain state, that active prepar-

ations were making to accomplish the evacuation of Spain The Court of Madrid had issu ed orders for the food and accommodation of the retiring army, as far as the French fron-The French Government seems to have been desirous that its troops should march back from Cadiz and Andalusia, through the extreme length of the Peninsula, but Ferdinand and his Ministers massted on their embarking at Cadiz, which most probably would end by being the case .- Courier, 16th Feb.

PORTUGAL.

Don Miguel, like a dutiful son, refuses to guit England till his affectionate mother shall have left Portugal. As to the Marquis Loille, we are again assured that he is also to set out with the Princess, before the arrival of the infant. It is certain that preparations are resamed, which were suspended, on board the English frigate which is to convey them to London. But the most general opinion is, that the queen will set out for Rome on board the frigate.

GERMANY.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 8. Letters from Vienna say, that a levy of 45 000 men is going to be made, to complete

RUSSIA.

The Grand Duke Constantine has left Warsaw for St. Petersburg.

The Gazette De France contains a notice dated Frontiers of Russia, Jan. 6, which describes the interior of that great Empire as exhibiting a military spectacle only equalled by the celebrated years 181! and 1812. To judge merely by appearances, says the account, it would be impossible not to conclude that something much more important than the pacification of Greece was in contemplation. And these preparations are looked on as the more extraordinary, as they are made in the

abroad, is said to have been agreed on in Lov don, by which Russia is to attack Tarkey by land, while France and England assails her by sea; and it is added, that even in the case the Porte now yielding, a clause of indemnity would be preferred against it, for the expences already incurred.

Jassy, Jan. 10 .- The Russian army will gradually be concentrated on the frontiers o mission for reading the royal speech,) were the empire. The Polish army approaches that of Bessarabia, and it is reported that in case of war, Prince Constantine will command both. Our Authorities are every day more embarrassed how to behave towards the Turks, and cannot be made easy, except by the occupation of the principalities by the Russians. They have entirely given themselves up to the Russian influence, without thinking of the consequences that will result if the Porte retains its power in these provinces. It is said that M. Minziacky is going to remove from Bucharest to this city.

TURKEY. The latest dates from Constantinople bear a warlike aspect, the Bosphorus has been closed gainst the vessels of all nations, and the subects of the Three Powers, told that they must onsider themselves as Rayas, or else quit the Capital, where no foreign right of protection could any longer be permitted.

Immense chains were preparing to close the entrance of the Dardanelles; thirteen ships of the line and some frigates were fitting out at the arsenal; two ships of the line and one frigate are already in the port, between Tophano and the Seraglio; and a squadron of large and small vessels is in the Dardanelles.

A letter from Corfu, of Jan. 8, says, Ibrahim Pacha has now shown the intentions which he has long cherished. It seems that his secret instructions were to send the inhabitants of the Pelo onesus to Egypt. He has collected the Greeks who were in Castle Tornese, those who have been confined since the beginning of the revolution of Coron and Modon, and the others who have fallen into his power, and has embarked the women and children on board two vessels, to carry them to Egypt.

GREECE. Letters from Corfu speak of a disposition on the part of the Admirals to sail for the Peloponnesus, the conduct of Ibrahim Pacha foring them to appear a second time at Navarin.

Prince Alexander Ypsilanti died at Vienna, Jan. 29. Prince Rasamofski, former Ambasandor of Russia, and the Princess, were pres-

Lord Cochrane arrived at Portsmouth, on Tuesday, rather suddenly and quite unexpectedly, in the schooner Unicorn, direct from Navarino. The cause of his Lordship's departure from Greece has not yet transpired; but it is surmised that the intervention of the combined squadrons may have rendered his Lordship's further services unnecessary to the

Fire .- We regret to state, (says the Whitehall N. J. Republican) that on Saturday last, the Baptist meeting house in Hampton took fire, and was entirely consumed.

A quarry of oil stones, has been discovered in Perry County, Ohio, which are said to be superior to the far-famed Turkey oil stones,

OBITUARY. At Saybrook on the 7th inst. Mr. Richard

Ingham, aged 33. On the 14th inst. Mrs. Lucretia Davison, wife of Levi Davison, aged 43. On the 14th inst. at Lyme, Rev. Lathrop Rockwell, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church

in that place, in the 58th year of his age. At Saybrook, (Chester Society,) on the 14th inst. Jonathan Warner Esq.
At Wethersfield, on the 17th inst. Miss Ma-

y Ann Goodrich, aged 22. At Ashford, on the 12th Feb. widow Agnes. lott, aged 88, formerly from Chatham.

NOTICE.

THE Committee of Ladies for receiving onations in this City for the Greeks will coninue to receive such as are offered during the present week, in cash, or articles for clothing, at the House of Mr. Nathaniel Patten, opposite the Central Meeting House .- Donations rom the Towns in this Vicinity for the same benevolent object, will also be received as

NOTICE.

A Meeting of the Society of young men for the promotion of temperance, will be held at the North Conference Room for the choice of officers, on the evening of Tuesday, the 25th inst. An address will be delivered by a member Citizens interested in the object of the Society, are respectfully invited to attend.

NOTICE. THE Hampshire and Hampden Baptist Ministers meeting will be held at the house of Dea. P. Hitchcock in West Springfield, Ireland Parish, on Tuesday the first day of April, at 10 o'clock A. M.

T. BARRETT, Sec'y.

An adjourned meeting of the Ex. Com. of the Baptist Evangelical Benevolent Society will be hold at the same place, on the day fol-lowing, at 8 o'clock A. M.

T. BARRETT, Sec'y, pro tem.

A FARM

OR SALE, Situated about half a mile west of the Baptist Meeting House in Bristol, Ct. containing about Forty Acres of Land, a Dwelling House and Barn. On the Farm is an Orchard producing 30 or 40 barrels of cider annually. For further particulars enquire of ROLLIN ATKINS, Bristol, March 17, 1828.

STOP THIEF.

TOLEN from the subscriber, in Manchester, on the 2d inst. a dark bay Horse, about 12 years old, with a white star in his forehead. He was taken by a man by the name of Raymond Watson, about 30 years of age, sandy complexion, light hair, thick set. He wore a light coloured great coat, black hat, boots very much worn; his other clothes something dirty. Whoever will apprehend said Watson, and give notice where he may be had, and brought to justice, shall receive TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

ELISHA ANDRUS. Manchester, March 15, 1828.

POETRY.

For the Christian Secretary.

Mn. Robins, Sir, The following lines were elicited by the recent decease of a much esteemed member of the Baptist Church in this city. If you think them worthy a place in your paper, they are at your service.

THE MOTHER'S CORPSE.

She lay in solemn stillness. Not a sound Broke on the quiet of that lonely room-and

Whose very look so lately had been watched With anxious tenderness, by bushand, children, friends.

Was left in solitude and silence. Every foot Fell softly, as if fearful that its tread Might waken the dear slumberer-yet that

No sound save the arch-angel's trumpet blast, Shall e'er disturb. One entered. Measuring

The room with slow and mournful step, he strove To calm his bursting heart, ere he approached To look upon her. In his youth, her voice

Had been the first to call him father -- and since then In many an hour of deep affliction, that voice Had been his consolation. She was too, The staff of his old age--and when he thought

Of all her filial love, the tenderness Of infancy came o'er him, and he wept. He turned to leave her -- and in turning saw His last, dear, lovely daughter standing by-Lovelier and dearer for their mutual sorrow. She seemed a star to gild his eve of life--A ministering angel sent to comfort him-And while he looked upon her form, he felt That life was not all darkness to him yet. Another stood beside that couch. His eye

Was tearless-but his hand was on his breast; For there was anguish there, though he had Himself to calmness. On the lifeless clay

He gazed almost unconscious, for his thoughts Were with the disembodied spirit in the skies: Hoping to meet her in the blissful land Of immortality. Yet he has ties to earth-He looks upon his offspring-and a father's

With all the care it brings, shall rob his grief (When its first bitterness is past,) of half its

But there is one to whom this cup is given From whom it may not pass. Perchance she drinks Less deeply of it now, than spouse or sire--But she is doomed to take it drop by drop,

Through all her future life. Others have lost Her eye rests on a mother's corpse! O who Shall estimate her loss? Who now shall guide Her inexperienced feet, through all the snares

And briars of this wilderness? Who now Shall teach her hand to pluck the good, and The poisonous fruit, that overhangs her path? She may forget, in hours of youthful happiness,

This one of sadness-but the ills of hie Will soon come o'er her -- and when she seeks For her, who was so wont to sympathise In all her sorrows-then, this awful hour Shall flash upon her memory, in vivid light, And tell her she is motherless! PHILA.

Hartford, March 11, 1328.

TIMES THAT HAVE BEEN.

" Your remembrances are like unto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay."-- Joh. xii. 12.

REVIEWING the days which have been, What shadows have flitted along; How transient the mutable scene, The warnings how sudden and strong! Yet goodness and mercy appear To follow us all through our days, And memory ponders the year, With penitence mingled with praise.

A prince, while expecting a throne, Disease was reducing to dust; He is gone to a kingdom unknown, To render account of his trust. No more chief command to resume, And flatter'd no more by the crowd, His palace is now a new tomb, His new royal robe but a shroud.

A Statesman, just grasping the height Oft sought by ambition in vain, Sunk down like a Meteor of night, E'en envy his Place would disdain. He spake-and the Senate admir'd, He promis'd-and people believ'd, He droop'd, and he hoped, and expir'd, And earth his poor ashes receiv'd

A Prelate, with talents endow'd, Arose like a star in the East; The Gospel be lov'd and avow'd, And liv'd like a prophet and priest. The heathen he labour'd to save, And Christian pure worth to restore : "He is gone from his work to the grave,"
And India shall Heber deplore.

The thunder hath burst from the cloud, And ocean re-echo'd afar, Of monarchs the argument lond," The havoc and slaughter of war. Oh! deep were the sufferers' groans, And dread was the vengeance they brought Stern Justice the chastisement owns, Which crushes oppressors to nought.

Omnipotent Ruler of all, Whose love is forever the same; The greatest before thee must fall, The meanest thy succour may claim. What time, and its movements may bring, Unseen to thy care we resign; "Of judgment and mercy we sing," For justice and mercy are Thine.

From the R. I. Religious Messenger. MEMOIR OF THE REV. WILLIAM GAMMELL

Various causes have delayed the preparation of this article till the present time. The writer had agreed to undertake the task, and resolved to set about it soon af- ther sparing than redundant, and so much servants of the Lord, and it is one, which ter the death of his lamented friend; but did he excel, on public occasions, that he it is hoped will prevail. It gives substanbeing informed that something of the kind was selected unusually frequent at Asso- tial proof of the good will of surviving was about to be engaged in by another ciations, and Anniversaries of different friends, to those whom their ministers hand, his attention was diverted from the kinds, as the principal performer; for he leave behind them, often in circumstances subject for the present time, and a press was sure to be heard, and that with atten- of pitiful dependence. Could ministers

wards regretted, and the same year in town adjoining Wrentham, to become cerity and ability. their pastor. Here he continued about four years, when he removed to Medfield, surrounding towns, and his duties were his own in point of numbers, talents, and and satisfaction. indeed arduous and severe.

Having had a desire for a number of years, of being located in a situation where his labours would be confined within a parrow compass, and some circumstances having transpired to make his continuance in this place less desirable than it formerly had been, he in 1823 accepted the invitation of the 2d Baptist church and congregation in Newport, R. I. to become their Pastor, and to this new scene of labour he repaired in August of that year. Although mostly confined to the limited precincts of an in-ular situation in his new location, yet an ample field of labour was opened before him; and being in the vigor of life, with pow ers of uncommon efficiency both of body and mind, he entered it with arder and delight. This ancient and populous congregation had suffered some diminution from the frequent changes in its ministry, and the injurious suspensions of regular supplies, but his commanding talents soon replenished their capacious house, and filled it often to overflowing. Besides the settled inhabitants of the town of other communities, visiting strangers, with which, in the milder seasons it abounds, showed by their frequent attention to his ministry, his growing estimation in the public mind, and the satisfaction they de rived from the plain, pungent, and scriptural eloquence of his pulpit discourses The stand which he took in this town, and, indeed, in the State at large, among all denominations, was unusually good and all were anxious on all public occasions of a general nature, to procure his acceptable services; but a mysterious providence saw fit to cut him off in the midst of his days, and almost in the beginning of his career, in his new and extensive field of labour, under circumstances calculated to spread a gloom of uncommon density over a wide circle of friends and associates, and to produce disappointment and derangement throughout all the connexions and engagements of his active

Mr. Gammell's most distinguished talent lay in preaching; and he generally rose to the highest point in the pulpit up on themes of a doctrinal nature, which admit of a practical application to the hearts and lives of Christians Although he made no pretensions to learning in the ry acquirements. He had spontaneously. to all appearance, for there seemed to be no study nor labour in the case, acquired English, and of course acceptable to all auces. So abundant was the vocabulary deposited in his memory, that he was sel dom at a loss for words; he could express himself with the greatest ease, and apparently to his own satisfaction, on all occasions, whether in the pulpit or delibcrative assembly, without any previous preparation. This happy endowment he often turned to the best account, in seasons of the most critical and embarrassing nature, as many of his most intimate friends will easly recollect. He could indeed write well, as some of his published could not be transfused into his written

communications.

then under the pastoral care of the late versy especting the condition of our fall of their resources, they do but barely Dr. Stillmin. At about the age of nine en race, the plan of salvation, the influence provide a subsistence, while they are teen, he commenced a course of studies of the Holy Spirit, and the Deity of the spared to exercise towards them, their pawith Rev. Mr. Williams of Wrentham, Redeemer, he assumed on all occasions, a ternal care and affection. The sums thus his church to engage in those ministerial none could be at a loss to understand pre- that they are never felt by the individuals ty, while those who differed from him in from destitution and distress. So early and so great was his promise his theological constructions, conceded to Mr. Gammell was twice married; his for infant baptism in the New Testament.

wisdom of management; but still never ded attachment to them.

time of his death, our lamented friend sudden death. And it was probably ow of that body, in times of its greatest trial at the shortest notice.

and embarrassment. ments could divert him from his course ; ted eternally to remain. and it happened with him, as it generally does with men of this character, that while his friends rallied around him with confidence and affection, his opponents were equally strong and ardent in their feelings against him, for they well understood that the reaction of his efforts would fall upon them with all the force he could command; and that he would do all in his power, by all the fair and honourable means which his sagacity and industry could bring into action to establish his principles and consummate his plans. But notwithstanding some peculiar traits of character of this kind, his friends have the consolation of believing, that he went! sincerely lament his early exit.

alarming; he had spent the day as usual in his domestic and parochial avocations, and had lately returned from visiting the mansion house of the late Judge Taber, which with other liberal bequests of that munificent friend of this community, had lately become their property, and to which their pastorproposed soon to remove, little expecting so soon to be called to a house not made with hands. He had indeed some short warnings of his approaching dissolution, but so suddenly was he called away, that his Church who had assembled for a social meeting near to his house, after waiting a while for his coming, sent to inquire the reason of his delay, when for the first time, they receiv ed the distressing intelligence of his death. higher seese of that term, yet his per- From his observations to his family and formances were seldom unacceptable on friends, which were afterwards recollechand of death was upon him from the first of his illuess; but that he expected to survive, at least, til! the coming day. doctrine of infant baptism? Where is fixes our hopes on the undecaying glories the art of confining himself to his own So far as he was able to express his views the change of the Sabbath? Where is of heaven. It never forsakes us. It atof religion and eternity, they were strong the command to meet together on that day tends the peasant to his cottage, his fruclasses of his hearers. Our friend, ysis renewed its rapid work of revolualso, like many who have gone before him tion and disorder, and about the going as points of faith and practice to Chrisdown of the sun, terminated his earthly career, on the S1st of May, 1827, in the 42d year of his age.

His funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Wayland, President of Brown University, from John vi. 20 .-" But he saith unto them, it is I, be not afraid." As might be expected, the assembly was unusually large and solemn, and the discourse very interesting and ap-

Soon after these sad solemnities were performed, and while the minds of all were full of tenderness and affection, a discourses will show, but there was an subscription was commenced for the benunction and pathos, accompanied with an efit of the bereaved family. Many geninteresting personal appearance, which tlemen of the town, of other persuasions, readily entered their names with liberal donations, and with some aid from a few These appendages of public speaking, other places, 800 dollars in a short time as Campbell says of certain peculiarities was rised; with this sum, in the low con of language, are like essences, which can- dition of real estate in town, a comfortanot be turned from one vessel to another ble and commodious house was purchaswithout suffering a loss. His voice was ed, and secured to the family. Among sonorous and commanding; in his ges- our denomination, this is a new way of tures he was easy and unaffected, and ra- testifying our respect for the departed of avocations has kept him from it to this tion, however numerous was his congre- generally calculate on this benevolent course, it would in a great measure re-

The subject of this memoir, was born In his doctrinal sentiments, Mr. Gam- lieve that painful solicitude, which they baptism, much more sprinkling, as an or in Boston, Jan. 9, 1786; in early life he mell was what may be denominated sound, too often have occasion to feel for the fu dinance of Christ, and in the name of the made a profession of religion, and united in the proper orthodox sense of that ture welfare of those dear objects of their Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, is difficult with the first Baptist church in that city, term; on those points of modern contro- affection, for whom, from the scantiness to see! and soon after, he received a license from position so bold and perspicuous, that raised, come from so many benefactors, there in spport of it: but we are gratified labours in which, for about twenty years, cisely his opinions. His friends had the ful- who join in the charity, but when consol yielding a point for which we, as a denomihe held a distinguished rank among his lest confidence in his integrity and stabili- idated, they will save an afflicted family nation, (I mean the Baptists,) have ever

as a preacher, that he was soon called off him the character of honesty and fair- first wife was Mary Slocum, of Belling- After this concession of Bishop Ravens. from his studies to supply the frequent ness; and often listened to his discourses, ham, the place of his first settlement in croft's, Professor Mitchell, in his "Recalls from the neighbouring vacant church- with a deep and interested attention, on the ministry; his second was Maria A. marks on Bishop Ravenscroft's answer to es, a circumstance which he ever after. account of the fervent and workman like Maddy, of Wrentham, who, with seven the statements contained in his "printed manner with which they were exhibited : children, including one born since his letter of the 12 h of February, 1825," which he was licensed he accepted the and if they were not converted to his death, survive him to mourn his loss. (see p. 12.) says to the Bishop, "If one of invitation of the church in Bellingham, a views, they were convinced of his sin- His cldest son, is now in his seventeenth our Baptist brethren was to fall into comyear, was fitted for college at the time of pany with you, the following very pleasing To his denominational friends, he was his death, and has since become a member dialogue might naturally arise. true to a proverb, although his intercourse of Brown University, where it is hoped Baptist. I am very happy, Bishop Rawhere the most of his ministerial services with other Christians was affable and fa the liberality of the friends of his father, venscroft to learn, from a perusal of your were performed. In this situation his miliar. He could indeed discover, and will enable him to remain, until he shall "Answer" just published, that the docfield of labour was very extensive; his did not hesitate to acknowledge, the supe finish that classical course, which his fond trine that infants are to be baptized, makes congregation spread into a number of the riority of some other communities over parent anticipated with unusual solicitude no part of the faith of the Episcopal

Mr. Gammell's personal appearance, did he exhibit any disposition to comprom- was bold and engaging; his countenance ise the distinguishing sentiments of his re- was ruddy and healthful, and the general ligious connexion, however unpopular impression was, that his constitution was hold in common with all other denominathey might be : or shun to avow his deci- unusually good, which his friends howev tions who practise infant baptism, that the er, now assure us was not the case; but rite, when duly administered, is of very For a number of years previous to his that his vital misgivings were often such, removal into this State, and up to the as to lead him to anticipate an early and Brown University, and as all his associ- as to his views of duty as a Christian, that was a very active and efficient member of stantly kept in order, and ready to be left alone.

He lived by system in all his secular, Mr. Gammell was by nature formed for as well as spiritual concerns, and had his that whatsoever cannot be proved by Ho. decision and action; and when once his eye continually fixed on that better world, ly Scripture, is not to be required of any purpose was fixed no common impedi into which, we trust, he has been admit- man that it should be believed as an arti-

> His hand, the good man fastens on the skies. And bids earth roll, nor feels its idle whirl.

> > From the Religious Herald.

NEANT BAPTISM NOT SUPPOR TED BY THE BIBLE, -- BISHOP RAVENSCROFT HIMSELF BEING JUDGE.

It will probably be reccollected by most of the readers of the Religious Herald, that about three years ago, Bishop Ravenscroft, of the Diocess of North Carolina. delivered a sermon before the Raleigh Bible Society, in which " his object was, (says a writer in the Raleigh Register,) to demonstrate the exoneous and down suddenly into the grave, leaving dangerous nature of the principle adopted but a very few behind him, who did not by the British and Foreign Bible Society, The circumstances of the death of Mr. North Carolina, and many others, viz: Gammell were exceedingly afflictive and That the distribution of the Scriptures. without note or comment, is the only just principle on which to disseminate divine

This, as might have been expected, drew out some remarks upon the sermon. Among others, Professor Mitchell, of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, wrote to the Bishop. In his letter of the 12th of February, 1825, he says to Bishop Ravenscroft, "I must request you to mention some doctrine necessary to life and salvation, some doctrine even of any considerable importance, which the church teaches her children to embrace and hold, which a plain man, interpreting scripture by scripture, would not be able to find in the Bible, and which she is able to discover there by means of a light de are what they profess to be, the word, for public worship and edification? Can tians, from the Scriptures alone? If so, come forth and give us light. If you cannot, cease to contend that the church of which I am an overseer, holds "that the Scriptures are exclusively sufficient for their own interpretation,'-cease to think that most good churchmen would be mortified to hear, that any such doctrine enters into her creed-cease to denounce me as unfaithful to her standards, and what is more, come forward and avow, whether the doctrines I have enumerated, under the second member of your query, are, in your opinion of any considerable importance to life and salvation ?"

In this reply of Bishop Ravenscroft to Professor Mitchell, there are several things to be remarked.

1. That infant baptism, as well as the other doctriens which the Bishop has named, if they may be called doctrines, is important to life and salvation. 2. That infant baptism in not to be found

in the Bible! 3. That most good churchmen would not be mortified to hear that such a doc-

though not found in the Scriptures! We certainly can see no barm in any one sprinkling, or even baptizing an infant, where it is not performed as a religious act: but how any person can, after such a op, (if he believed it true) administer cle

We are not strengthened in our opinion that infant baptism is not found in the New Testament by the Bishop's concession : because we have never seen one word to hear a man of the Bishop's standing, contended, viz : that there is no support

church.

Bishop. Makes no part of the faith of the Episcopal Church! God forbid that I should utter any such sentiment. We essential and important advantage to the individual receiving it.

Baptist. But you intimate your belief was a member of the corporation of ing in part to these impressions, as well in your answer to Mr. Mitchell, that the doctrine that infants are to be baptized, ates in that department will testify, he his house in all points of view, was con- cannot be established from the Scriptures

Bishop True, I do.

Baptist. But the Sixth Article declares, cle of the faith.

Bishop. Oh! I begin to understand you; you are talking about infant baptism. It is true, I did intimate that the doctrine cannot be proved by Scripture; but I was disputing then with a Presbyterian about the Bible Society. Mr. Mitchell's a Presbyterian. The concessions I then made have nothing to do with the present case. You are a Baptist.

We are certainly obliged to Professor Mitchell for this very just and appropriate dialogue. While it served his purpose very well in his argument with the Bishop, it serves ours equally as well.

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WOULD YOU BE TRULY GREAT? Humility is the true greatness of man, and copied into the Constitution of that of It is the greatness of patriarchs, prophets, as self exaltation is his deepest disgrace. apostles, and martyrs; allying the child of sinfulness and dust to the ransomed of the Lord in a brighter world; attaching his interests to the honours and kingdom of the great Redeemer; opening to his weeping, ardent eye, the way of access to God the Father. What spectacle so grand as that of the lowly penitent summoning to his succour eternal strength, and, cheered with beams from the Sun of Righteonsness, triumphing over all the powers of darkness?

It is a greatness, which no worldly vicissitudes can impair. Fortune, and fame, and all that the ambitious covet, may flee away; he, who exults in prosperity to day, may be a wretch to-morrow; the heavens, all brightness now, may, anon, be blackened with storms; the fairest hope may be wrecked in a moment; and desis the doctrine, that the Holy Scriptures idolized. But humility dissolves the charm of earthly attractions; it makes us will, and truth of God? Where is the independent of all below the skies; it gal table, his homely toils; inspires him with a serenity, which conquerors may sigh after in vain; and raises him to a moral elevation, above the utmost flight of their ambition. It follows to his cell the victim of persecution, and invests him with a grandeur, to which even the imperial purple is beggarly defilement. All other greatness is momentary. But this is durable. It smiles at death; it walks with augels through the dark valley; it reposes on the bosom of Jesus; it will burst the prison of the grave; it will triamph in immortal beauty; it will shine with celestial radiance, when stars and suns are extinguished forever .- Nat. Preacher.

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